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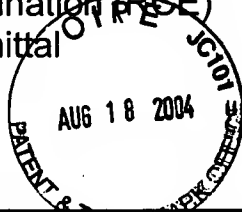
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Art Unit	3653
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Applicant(s): Lunak, et al.
Filed: November 30, 2001
Title: METHOD OF ISSUING MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND DISPENSING AND ADMINISTERING MEDICATIONS THROUGH A HAND-HELD DEVICE AND A DEVICE AND SYSTEM FOR DOING THE SAME

Art Unit: 3653
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE

Preliminary to an examination of the above-identified application, please amend that application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification: none.

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.